

REMARKS

This Amendment is responsive to the Final Office Action that was mailed September 19, 2006 and the Advisory Action that was mailed December 13, 2006.

Claim Amendments

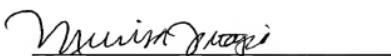
The Examiner has indicated that claims 2, 3, and 16-19 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form. In the November 16, 2006 Response, Applicants rewrote claims 2, 3, and 16-19 in independent form. With this Response, Applicants have canceled claims 1, 4-15, and 20-27 without prejudice. Applicants extend their gratitude to the Examiner for identifying the allowable subject matter.

All of the stated grounds of objection and rejection are believed to have been properly traversed, accommodated, or rendered moot. Applicants therefore respectfully request that the Examiner reconsider all presently outstanding objections and rejections and that they be withdrawn. Applicants believe that a full and complete response has been made to the outstanding Office Action and, as such, the present application is in condition for allowance. If the Examiner believes, for any reason, that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number provided.

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Prompt and favorable consideration of this Amendment is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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